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HONGKONG, 26th September, 1902.

As Mr. Cecil HOLLIDAY remarks, Article
XIII of the New Treaty with China, pro-
viding for the appointment of a mixed
Commission to investigate the missionary
question, "reads quaintly in a Commercial
Treaty." At the same time we are not
disposed to cavil at its insertion in the
Treaty just concluded by Sir JAMES
MACKAY. There can be no harm in the
appointment of a Commission "to if possible
devise means to secure permanent peace
between converts and non-converts," and
though it may seem somewhat out of place
in an agreement relating to matters of
trade yet there can be no objection to the
attempt to provide some way out of an
admitted difficulty. It was inserted ob-
viously at the request of the Chinese
Commissioner, and it is not to be wondered
at that the Chinese Imperial Government
should be anxious to avoid a recurrence of
the recent outrages and consequent troubles
with Foreign Powers. The question, as we
have before pointed out, is a large one, and
the missionaries ought either to be guar-
anteed efficient protection or they should
not be allowed to reside in those portions
of the interior where such protection cannot
be afforded. It is idle to say that the
missionaries are content to take their lives
in their hands and go to preach to the
heathen, notwithstanding all risks. We
maintain that the crown of martyrdom
ought not to be thus deliberately sought,
and that it by no means always follows
that the blood of these martyrs is the seed
of the Church. Unless and until civilised
Powers are able to station Consuls with no
very remote ability to appeal to force in a
district, the missionaries should, like the
merchants, avoid that district, and await

the auspicious time when residence there
may become possible and reasonably safe
from personal violence.

The time for a peaceful residence in the
interior of Northern China has clearly even
now not arrived. In Chihli brigandage
is rampant, and outrages upon and murders
of natives are common in several districts,
while only the other day two French rail-
way employees were robbed and nearly
killed by natives between Peking and
Paoting-fu. The Boxer movement is, more-
over, by no means dead. A telegram from
Chengtu, the capital of Szechuen, on the
15th inst., announced the entry into that
city of armed Boxers, and although it seems
doubtful whether they were a small isolated
body or the advance guard of a considerable
force, it is tolerably certain that they will
give serious trouble to the provincial
authorities and may even prove a source
of real danger to the Empire, if they form
the nucleus of a new outbreak of this fan-
atical association. There are still plenty
of the members of the anti-Christian agitation
alive in the provinces of North China, and
they only need stirring to burst again into
a devouring flame that might extend even
more widely than the outbreak which
rendered the end of the nineteenth century
so sadly memorable in China. The pre-
judiced literati are ready to pour out fresh
floods of incendiary placards and leaflets
and to start libellous stories in the tea-
shops to inflame the minds of the populace
and thus provoke acts of outrage and
rapine. Whether or not the local officials
have the power to restrain the populace
from these acts of violence it is perhaps
difficult to decide, but in few cases do they
trouble to exert it until too late. It is
perhaps the knowledge that the sympathy
of the officials is with the offenders that
renders the Imperial Government desirous
of bringing about a Commission of Enquiry
into the missionary question, in the hope
that some arrangement may be arrived at
by which missionaries may be restrained
from penetration at will into all parts
of the interior.

There would, of course, be a strong and
general protest from the missionaries if any
limit were to be set to their liberty of travel
and residence in the interior of the Central
Kingdom. Indeed, there might be very
wild outcries from Exeter Hall—and great
is the dread of that home of fanaticism in
Downing Street. Nevertheless an extra
strong British Government may one day,
perhaps, venture to clip the wings of the
missionary and try to prevent him thrusting
himself where he is not wanted. But the
time is not yet. The present Government
is a fairly strong one while the opposition is
abnormally weak, but it has been in exist-
ence long enough to make numerous enemies
among its own followers, to have perpetrated
many mistakes, and to have been weakened
by losses at bye-elections. The process of
disintegration which sets in after accession
to office has been proceeding long enough
to make Ministers chary of making many
experiments or of offending factions. Hence
there is little likelihood, during the life of
the Balfour Cabinet, of any great change
in policy either at home, or abroad, espe-
cially in a direction that might affect votes.
For the present, therefore, the missionary
in China will enjoy all his ancient privileges
and liberties, and may wander into its
remotest corners, bent on teaching the
doctrines of Christianity to the material-
istic followers of Confucius and the degene-
rate professors of Buddhism. We do not
for a moment assert that there would be no
loss if the missionaries were precluded
from teaching in districts where no efficient
protection can be given to them. No doubt
they do some good, if their converts are
few, and genuine native Christians fewer
still. Moreover, the missionaries have done
good service in making the country, its
productions, and its inhabitants known,
and they must be regarded as the first
pioneers of Western civilisation. But if
these benefits are only to be secured at the
price of frequent and heart-rending mas-
sacres, then we think the cost is too great,
and we are inclined to advise waiting until
the wants of China necessitate the opening
up of these remote districts of the interior
to trade and residence.

The release from quarantine in Netherlands-
India of arrivals from Hongkong, which we
announced yesterday, is notified in a Govern-
ment Gazette Extraordinary.

A special general meeting of the members of
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will
be held on Friday, 3rd October, at 11 a.m.
in the City Hall, to nominate a member
of the Chamber to take the place in the
Legislative Council of the Hon. B. Shawan,
whose term of office expired on the 24th inst.

The Manager of the Chartered Bank of India,
Australia and China, has been informed as
yesterday that he had that morning received
from the London office a telegram advising
that a dividend had been declared for the past
half-year to 30th June at 10 per cent, per
annum, free of income tax, payable on and after
22nd October.

A league for the protection of the allies in
being formed in the East end of London.
Evidence is to be collected and placed before the
Commissioners against resistance.

During the 24 hours ending at midnight on
the 17th inst. 19 cases of cholera were reported
in Kobe, making a total of 334 genuine and
suspected cases occurring in the city since the
outbreak began.

A Chempulpo telegram to the Asahi states
that at 11 a.m. on the 16th inst. the French
cruiser *Bugeaud*, from Nagasaki, stranded a few
miles from Macabi Island, just outside the
harbour of Chempulpo. The cruiser sustained
some slight damage to her bottom, but was
refloated at high-tide.

Several graduates of the Tokyo Higher
Normal School have been engaged on the teach-
ing staff of the School in Peking under the
control of Viceroy Yuan Shikai, and will soon
leave Japan for China. Mr. Watanabe,
President of the Tokyo Music Academy,
recently resigned that position and also left for
Peking, having been offered a position in the
Viceroy's School.

On the 14th inst. the Madras mail train
broke through the bridge where the Madras-
Beynour railway crosses the Patur River.
The train was a heavy one and was crowded
with passengers. When the bridge broke the
entire train fell to the river. Help was sum-
moned from Salem as soon as possible, but
practically nothing could be done except to
carry afloat bodies as they were taken from the
wreck. By night the bodies of 300 drowned lay
on the river-bank, among them those of 80
Europeans. The Roman Catholic Archbishop
of Madras had a most providential escape.

We have recorded the recent disappearance
from Singapore of an Italian named Lucchi in
the employ of Messrs. Fertile & Co. It was
found out later that a cheque of the firm for a
sum of \$9,369 had been presented and cashed at
the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Lucchi
was traced to Penang where he got his money
changed into a draft on Marseilles. Information
had been wired through however and when the
Japanese steamer arrived there he was arrested.
The news of the capture was sent to Singapore
and Chief Detective Inspector Perrett left for
Penang and after seeing the Magistrate was to
go on by the mail to Marseilles and bring
back the wanderer for trial at Singapore.

A charge has been laid before the Public
Prosecutor in Yokohama against A. Le Prevost,
formerly an employee in the silk department of
Messrs. Cornes & Co., of Yokohama. Le
Prevost, together with four Japanese, is accused
of misappropriating the sum of three hundred
thousand yen. Mr. Prevost has been a resident
of Yokohama for some twenty years. He was
previously connected with a mercantile
firm in Shanghai, and after his arrival in
Yokohama was for some months sub-editor of
the *Japan Gazette*. He then joined Messrs.
Rosenthal & Co., silk dealers, and afterwards
Messrs. Cornes & Co., in whose silk department
he was employed for some ten or twelve years.

A despatch to the *Shanghai Times* from
Calcutta says:—The Parsa millionaire Tata,
who has concessions for working the vast iron
deposits of the central provinces under the
guaranteed protection of the Indian Government,
announces that his plans are advancing as
rapidly as could be expected in an undertaking
of such magnitude. He intends to engage in
his service men trained in iron and steel work
in Europe and America and to employ only the
latest approved devices and methods in the
mines and mills. Every confidence is felt here
that he will provide himself with all advantages
that money and skill can procure, and with
abundance of cheap labour and immense natural
resources at his command no doubt is entertained
that India must become a great producer of
steel.

Sir C. E. Howard Vincent, writing on the
Volunteer Camps of 1902, says:—The clerks
who give up a great deal of time to volunteer-
ing, and who as the recent war has shown, make
invaluable officers and non-commissioned officers
for irregular corps in the field, can never tell until
the last minute whether or not they will be able
to attend camp for the whole 14 days, this
shuts out their regiments from the field army
or makes their participation in it a matter of
great difficulty and anxiety to the commanding
officer, who cannot tell until the last day of
camp whether he can pay the allowances or not.
Perhaps, then, it would be better to ground the
test of efficiency for the army corps on some
other standard than the ability to produce a
definite number of men within the same
14 days. That is pure accident and has nothing
to do with the real effectiveness of the regiment.

The *Siam Observer's* correspondent at Battam-
bong states that recently some servants belong-
ing to the French Consulate at Battambang
marched up and down the main road beating
drums and loudly proclaiming the fact that all
those who owed money to any others than
French subjects would, if they took refuge in
the French Consulate, receive protection and
never need repay their creditors:—The Governor
of Battambang had then no further power over
them. The correspondent continues:—You
may draw your own conclusions from the above,
but it is a fact that many people owing money
and willing to work out the amount have been
induced to leave the houses of their creditors
by servants belonging to the French Consulate.
The question which naturally arises is whether
the French Vice-Consul knows of such pro-
ceedings. It appears that when creditors go to
the Consulate with a full knowledge of the
whereabouts of the runaway—the Vice-Consul
always denies the possibility of the latter being
on the premises. But, if he does not know,
he surely ought to be informed of what goes on
in his own Consulate.

A leading French lawyer is expected shortly
to settle in practice at Penang. He has been
practising in several parts of India and Ceylon.

Steamers from Hongkong will no longer be
guaranteed at Saigon, Messrs. Lamke and
Bogge courteously inform us, having being
informed by Messrs. Hale & Co. of Saigon.

Just now there is one solitary boat flying the
British flag plying between Singapore and
Bangkok. Another boat, the *Ban Seng Guan*,
however, will join her soon.

The Japanese Department of Agriculture
and Commerce proposes to ask for the grant of
a national subsidy of 1,200,000 yen, spread over
ten years, for the encouragement of the sugar
industry in the Loochoo Islands.

Prince Komatsu has presented to the Japanese
Emperor and Empress and to the Crown Prince
and Princess a number of art works purchased
in Europe. Court Matsega also made gifts
to their Majesties. To the Emperor he gave
the skin of a white bear and a beautiful
mechanical singing bird in a cage, while to the
Empress a roll of dress material and a similar
bird were presented.

There has been naturally a considerable
falling-off in the number of books upon the
South African war of late, but Messrs. Smith,
Elder hope to have the new edition of Sir Conan
Doyle's work, bringing the history of the
campaign to the signing of the peace treaty,
ready for the third anniversary of the outbreak
of the war in October. This will be the
seventeenth impression of Sir Conan Doyle's
history.

Eight battleships are under construction for
the navy of the United States, and now the
designs for two additional ships provided for in
the current Estimates have been approved, and
will shortly be commenced. The new vessels
are to be completed in forty-two months. The
new ships, for which tenders are now being
asked, says the *Engineer*, will displace 16,000
tons, will have a speed of eighteen knots, and a
maximum coal capacity of 2,200 tons. Their
armament, consisting of four 12in. breech-
loading guns, will be carried in a couple of
turrets, fore and aft, armed with plates
ranging from 8in. to 12in., with a roof 2½ in.
thick. At each corner of the superstructure
will be two 8in. breechloaders, eight in all,
carried in four electrically-controlled, balanced
spherical turrets from 6in. to 8in. in thickness.
There will also be twelve 7in. guns in broadside
on pedestal mounts behind 7in. armour, each
gun isolated by splinter bulkheads. The forward
and after guns on each side will be arranged so
as to fire right ahead and right astern respect-
ively. The interest in these details lies in a
comparison with the ships of large size—16,350
tons—which are being built in this country.
They will have four 12in., four 9 in., and ten
6in., or six fewer pieces than the smaller
American ships.

GYMKHANA AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The following is the programme of the
Gymkhana to be held at the Race-course on
Saturday, 13th prox., commencing at 3 p.m.:—
One mile flat race, open, walters, limit 14lbs.
3in.; polo pony race; jumping competition,
open, limit 14lbs. 3in.; tent pegging,
steplechase, open, limit 14lbs. 3in.; and a
costume race.

THE NEILL-FRAWLEY COMPANY.

The booking of seats for the production of
Secret Service by the Neill-Frawley Company at
the Theatre Royal on Tuesday next has been
so heavy that the manager has decided to play
two nights, presenting *Lord and Lady Algy*
the second night. Both plays are full of com-
edy, and have had very successful runs in
London and New York.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the
opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—I am delighted to see that there is
more than one person in Hongkong who has
noticed the dreadful cruelty which is practised
daily in these various bird shops—there are all
sorts of animals caged up in pens where they
cannot turn round even, and I have been told
that over the shops there are crowds more
of animals kept in the sawdust. The small in-
dian shops are quite unbearable and I should
think very unhealthy. In England shops like
these would be inspected by some member of
the Humane Society and I sincerely hope
something will be done soon to lessen the
sufferings of these poor dumb creatures who
have never harmed their persecutors.—Yours,
etc.

A LOVER OF ANIMALS.

Sir William Harcourt once lined on an
English man-of-war, and a storm coming up,
the captain, who was a very small man,
permitted him to occupy his state room for the
night. The steward was not notified of the
arrangement, and next morning at six o'clock
he brought a cup of coffee to the Captain's door.
Knocking twice without receiving any answer,
he hastily pushed open the door. "Don't you
wake your coffee this morning, sir?" Sir
William gave a snore, and the steward was
assured to see a huge figure turn over in the
berth. *Smash* went the cup and saucer, and the
trickling coffee fell off to the surgeon's room.
"Per heaven's sake, sir," he gasped, "come to the
Captain's room!" He's speechless, and swollen
to ten times his natural size!

ELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 24th September, 7.55 p.m.

Russia's new cruiser *Pallada* has been
ordered to the Far East. The second-class
cruiser *Digit* leaves Europe in October to
serve as a training-ship for the crews of the
Siberian flotilla.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 23rd September.

THE CAPE MARTIAL LAW

The Martial Law Commission in South
Africa has prepared a first list recommending
the immediate release of one hundred and
thirteen prisoners.

THEIR MAJESTIES IN LONDON.

Their Majesties King Edward and Queen
Alexandra will lunch at the Guildhall on the
25th of October, the date of the Royal progress
through the City, and they will attend the
Coronation thanksgiving service to be held at
St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26th October.

TO AID DISTRESSED BOERS.

The Boer Generals, lecturing at Rotterdam
yesterday on behalf of distressed Boers, an-
nounced that an American had contributed one
hundred thousand dollars to the fund, and that
the lecture at Antwerp had yielded four
hundred pounds.

LONDON, 22nd September.

THE TRANS-ISTHMIAN RAILWAY.

The American warship *Peacock* has
arrived at Colon with 320 marines and six
field guns for the protection of the Trans-
isthmian railway.

THE BOER GENERALS' MANIFESTO.

The Boer Generals in a manifesto appeal to
the civilised world on behalf of the widows and
orphans of the ruined Boer people. They state
they are about to tour Europe and America
with a view to organising a relief fund, and
declare that ten times the small sum granted by
Great Britain would be insufficient to cover
even the direct losses of the war.

RUSSIA AND FINLAND.

Russia has drafted new and drastic laws,
subjecting the administration of the judiciary
(including the Senate) of Finland to the control
of the Governor-General, and freeing the latter
and his subordinates from all responsibility.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 24th September.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (POLICE

MAGISTRATE).

THEFT OF CRACKERS.

Wong Kan, master of the *Kwong Sui Wo*
trading junk, arrested and charged with the
larceny of £200 worth of fire crackers on the
15th inst., was again brought before His Wor-
ship and was committed for trial at the next
Criminal Sessions.

Thursday, 25th September.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING

POLICE MAGISTRATE).

SHOCKING CRUELTY TO A GIRL.

On Wednesday afternoon Dr. Nazari Hassan,
of the Indian Staff Medical Corps, made a
complaint to Sergeant A. McSwayed at Yan-
matt Police Station about the ill-treatment of
a Chinese girl by a family who lived in the
house underneath him in the village. The
doctor and the sergeant made their way to the
house indicated, and saw the girl, a puny,
underfed child of twelve years. On being
questioned, she said that she had been under-
going ill-treatment for the past three months,
a story which was only too well borne out by
the cruel marks of violence on her attenuated
body. Recently it was aspired, the child had
been assaulted by her mistress with, among
other things, a broom, a chopper, a cane and a
spittoon. On the previous night, she had been
tied up and put in the cook-house and
thrashed at intervals. The girl's mistress was
not at home at the time of this visit, having
got an inkling of the charge having been lodged,
but with the aid of P.C. Chung Chung, whose
detective abilities have gained for him the well-
deserved sobriquet of "the Yummat Sherlock
Holmes," her arrest was shortly afterwards
effected and she was taken to the Police Station.
There she admitted having thrashed the girl,
but said she had a perfect right to do so, if he
thought fit; the girl had been disobedient. It
appears that the child is an orphan and was
sold to this woman by her brother. On the
accused being brought before Mr. Kemp, his
Worship remanded the case until to-day, bail
of £50 being allowed. Meantime the police
retained custody of the girl.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at
Shanghai at 5 a.m. on the 25th inst., and left
again at 1 p.m. same day for Hongkong, where
she is due to arrive at 9 a.m. on the 28th inst.
The C.M. steamer *Hyacin* left Singapore on
the 25th inst. for this port, and is due here
on the 28th inst.
The N.Y.K. steamer *Shikoku Maru* (Anso-
can Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 24th
inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow.

ENQUIRY INTO COLLAPSED
BUILDINGS.

The official enquiry into recent fatal collapse
of buildings in the Colony opened yesterday
morning before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, Police
Magistrate, and a common jury. The first case
taken was that of the collapse of houses at 30, 32,
Kowloon City Road, on 18th July last, when 10
people were killed, 5 injured, and 7 escaped. Mr.
H. L. Denys, Acting Crown Solicitor, con-
ducted the proceedings on behalf of the
Government, and the jury was composed as
follows:—G. H. W. Kow, F. S. Chunnett, and
S. A. Joseph.

Addressing the jury, Mr. Denys said the
enquiry was held under the provisions of the
Concise Abolition Ordinances under which the
magistrate was sitting in the position of a coroner
to enquire into the cause of death of ten people
who were alleged to have been killed by the fall
of certain houses at Kowloon City Road, Nos.
30 and 32; their death was caused at about a
quarter to six on 18th July last. At the time a
typhoon signal was up in the harbour, and
although it would be shown that the wind was
blowing strongly at the time, Mr. Denys would
put it to the jury, after they had heard the evi-
dence, that there was no extraordinary amount of
wind to account for these houses falling, or that
they were poorly built, or if they had been poorly
built, the houses were the property of the Hongkong
Land Investment Company, and formed the end
houses of two blocks of buildings, each
consisting of fifteen houses. These buildings
were erected under the supervision of Lough and
Orange, a very well-known firm of architects
in the Colony, and the work was looked after
by an overseer whose name was Harry Anderson,
a Norwegian sailor, who, as will be paid by the
Hongkong Land Investment Company, was given
of 300 a month to look after the work, which
was given to a Chinese contractor, or rather
to a Chinese contractor's firm, consisting of two
persons and called the *Loong Yee*. There was
at the same time included in this contract for
these thirty houses other twenty houses which
were being built, or to be built, at Island Lot
No. 1,108. These twenty houses were on the
other end of the road, and except that they were
included in the contract for building, the other
thirty houses, the jury had nothing further to do
with them in ascertaining why Nos. 30 and 32
fell. They were also mentioned for the
purpose of showing the price paid, the
Hongkong Land Investment Company agreeing
to pay the *Loong Yee* for these
fifty houses, \$145,000. On 5th March of
this year a certificate was granted for
the houses on K. L. 1,108 in the name
of the Director of Public Works, who did
not himself own the houses or knew any-
thing about them at the time. However, a
certificate was issued in two names of the
Director of Public Works, that these houses
had been built in compliance with the Building
Ordinance No. 17 of 1885, as amended by other
Ordinances. With regard to No. 30, this was
the house in which the deceased were at the time
they were killed, and it was separated from No.
32 by a lane fifteen feet wide. The latter house
had been completed after No. 30, but never
received a certificate from the Director of
Public Works, and so was not lawfully built. On
18th July there were about 25 people living in
No. 30, the ground floor being occupied by
carpenters employed in the *Humphrey Dock*, the
first floor by some bootmakers, and the second
floor by the wife and family of the head
bootmaker. The entrance to the upper floors
was, as usual in most Chinese houses, from the
street. Mr. Denys, continuing, said he
thought he would be able to show the jury that
on 18th July these 25 people in that house had
just finished their evening meal, that broadly
speaking all were in good health and strength,
perfectly well—and that suddenly the houses
collapsed, killing ten persons, eight of whom
the doctor would tell the jury, suffered from
fracture of the skull and the other two from in-
juries of a similar nature, though slightly different;
one had sustained rupture of the spleen and the
other laceration of the brain. At the time the
accident happened the wind was from the
W.N.W., and was blowing across a high hill
at the back of the houses, but Mr. Denys
was of opinion that the jury had heard the
evidence that would come to the conclusion
that the wind did not directly cause the fall
of these two houses. Amongst the witnesses were
people who had been in the house that col-
lapsed and killed the ten people, and they would
tell the jury so far as they could, what hap-
pened—that a portion of No. 32 fell against
No. 30, and that then the wall of No. 30 fell
outwards. As a matter of fact, the two walls
appeared to have fallen almost together, but it
was possible after hearing the evidence
the jury would conclude that the wind caught
the gable of No. 32 from the back, and blew it
over against No. 30, resulting in the collapse
immediately in the fall of No. 30. Which house
fell first it might be extremely difficult to say,
but Mr. Denys did not think that it would
make any difference either way as to the culpability
on anybody's part. There were the
same owners, the same architect, the same con-
tractor, and the same overseer. The jury
would simply have to judge, after hearing all
the evidence, as to how the houses happened,
and whether No. 32 fell first, or No. 30
fell first, would not make any difference in
their verdict. The object of the enquiry, went
on Mr. Denys, was to find out how these ten
healthy people were suddenly buried into
earth. They were killed while in their
house immediately after they had had their
evening meal, but in coming to a conclu-
sion as to how these people met their
deaths it would not be sufficient for the jury to
say they were killed by the effect of falling
brickwork or of falling timber. It was for the
jury to enquire carefully into the whole facts
connected with the construction of these houses,
and it would be for them to say, after careful
enquiry, whether or no anyone was responsible
—primarily responsible or otherwise responsible
—for the deaths of these ten people. Under
the Concise Abolition Ordinances the magistrate
has power to commit any person against whom
the jury might be so verdict for trial
at the Supreme Court. Mr. Denys did not say
that the jury would find anyone guilty, but he
explained Mr. Denys, that the jury would
find anyone criminally guilty in the present
case, but it would be for them to weigh most
carefully the whole of the evidence and to find
whether anyone was criminally negligent in
regard to the way these houses were built
—whether there was negligence in the
material that was used in their construc-
tion or negligence in allowing people to
inhabit them before they were fit for in-
habitation. It would be put to the jury that
these houses were poorly built, and that they
were built by a wealthy company, and Mr. Denys
did not think that the jury would find that
to be insufficient the sum paid for them. The
secretary of the company would tell the
jury that the sum did not accept the lowest
tender, and that they paid something
like \$2,900 for each house. For a Chinese
house, Mr. Denys expected that the jury would

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.

FROM this date LUNG SECK NG is no longer Shroff of the above Company.

S. J. GODWIN, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1902. [2568]

TO LET.

GODOWNS at WANCHAI with PIER suitable for storage of Coal or any other Merchandise.

Apply to—HASON LEE, No. 255, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2567]

ENGINEER WANTED.

A Young Man is wanted as ASSISTANT ENGINEER in a Factory near Hongkong. He should be a good Mechanic and have some knowledge of Millwright's work. Practical experience of Engines and Boilers is desirable.

Apply to—Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1902. [2563]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 523, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st October, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2564]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS will be held on FRIDAY, 3rd OCTOBER, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, in the CHAMBER ROOM, CITY HALL, to nominate a Member of the Chamber to take the place in the Legislative Council of the Hon. R. Sheehan, whose term of Office expired on the 24th instant.

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2562]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 12 o'clock Noon, on THURSDAY, the 23rd proximo.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1902. [2561]

GYMKHANA.

THE following is the Programme of a Gymkhana to be held at the HAPPY VALLEY RACE COURSE, on SATURDAY, the 14th OCTOBER, 1902, commencing at 3 p.m.:

1. One Mile Flat Race. Open. Limit 14 lbs. 3 in.

2. Polo Pony Race.

3. Jumping Competition. Open. Limit 14 lbs. 3 in.

4. Tent Pegging.

5. Final Heat. Polo Pony Race (if necessary).

6. Sleepers Race. Open. Limit 14 lbs. 3 in.

7. Costume Race.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2560]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1902, at 2.30 p.m., at "Westleigh," No. 9, Upper Richmond Road, The Works of the

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (Particulars from Catalogues);

Also

A COTTAGE PIANO in good Condition.

A CROQUET SET.

A QUANTITY of POTS and PLANTS.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

On view from Monday, the 22nd September.

G. O. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2571]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS will be ready to-morrow, and will contain—

Leading Article: The New Treaty and the Missionary Question.

An Illegal Opium Farm.

The C. P. E. and St. Andrew's Services.

Unruly Ricketts-Coolies.

The Siamese Question.

The Health of Hongkong.

The Press Censorship at Macao.

The King Edward Hotel Licence.

An Extrajudicial Case.

Siamese Affairs.

The Chinchou Murders.

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Northern Notes.

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Hongkong, 26th September, 1902.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR NAGASAKI (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"PIONEER" Captain Kautzer, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 28th inst.

For Particulars, apply to—EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2566]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING" Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 28th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2570]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENHARRY" Captain Holman, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 15th October.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—MCGHEVOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1902. [2565]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"HITACHI MARU" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-morrow, 25th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 1st October will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notices of same sent to this Office before the 4th October, or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1902. [2568]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 26th SEPTEMBER, 1902, at 3 p.m., at his

SALE ROOMS, Riddell Street, THE FOLLOWING

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

known as Sub-section No. 1 of Section A of INLAND LOT 706; Area 7,444 square feet.

The property is situated between Conduit and Robinson Roads, abutting on the South and West on Conduit Road, on the North on Rembrandt Road, and on the East on the East on Rembrandt Road.

On the East on Rembrandt Road of Section A of Inland Lot 706.

For further Particulars, apply to—GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1902. [2433]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 27th SEPTEMBER, 1902, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 6, Victoria View, Kowloon, the residence of Captain MERRILL (Superintendent of the North German Lloyd)

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising—

SILK TAPESTRY COVERED EASY CHAIRS, CONSOLE TABLE, OVERMANTELS with BEVELLED MIRRORS, BLACKWOOD MUSIC STAND, STOOLS, TEA COY and CHAIR, &c., &c.;

TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED MIRROR, DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, CHIFFONNIER, RATTAN CHAIRS and TABLES, DINNER SETS, CROCKERY, &c., &c.

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BATHROOM and PANTRY REQUISITES, &c., &c.

Also

1 COTTAGE PIANO, by Thien.

On view from Friday, the 26th September. Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902. [2526]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

MARINE LOTS Nos. 2 SECTION A AND M. L. 2A.

THE above fine block of buildings abutting on that portion of Ice House Lane between Queen's Road Central and Des Vaux Road Central and comprising a block of offices at each end with spacious Godowns in the middle, will be put up for Sale by Public Auction in one lot, on TUESDAY, October 14th next.

Further Particulars will appear in due course.

DEACON & HASTINGS, Solicitors for the Vendor.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1902. [2491]

CARTRIDGES! CARTRIDGES!

JUST LANDED A NEW STOCK OF BLEY'S and KYNOC'S SPORTING CARTRIDGES and NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT.

20 BORE CARTRIDGES

16 " "

12 " "

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8 " "

Wm. SCHMIDT & CO., Gunsmiths.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1901. [715]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 27th September, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1902. [2424]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 9th OCTOBER, 1902, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account for the year 1901, and for the Half-year ending 30th June, 1902, and of declaring dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the SOCIETY will be CLOSED from the 25th September to the 9th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1902. [2513]

INSURANCES

GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF DRESDEN.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS.

ROTH, JACOB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1902. [2327]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [25]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May 1895. [27]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [118]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

Cash Security ... \$25,719

Total Losses Paid ... \$3,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1902. [127]

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ASSETS EXCEEDED TEN MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS against FIRE, at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1902. [2376]

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [2]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE TIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1901, £15,722,693.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... 2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... 237,500 0 0

II. FUND FUNDS ... 2,685,148 6 2

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [1796]

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

HCTZ, JACOB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [29]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE

THE Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [24]

"L'URBAINE" FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Ltd. (Incorporated 1883)

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at current rates.

P. LEMAIRE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1901. [472]

TO LET

TO BE LET.

NOS. 5, 18, 19, and 20, BELILIOS TERRACE.

Also "THE EYRIE" Flat, FURNISHED.

For Particulars, apply to—FURNER & CO.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1902. [2361]

TO LET.

SECOND FLOORS of Nos. 62 and 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL; suitable for Office.

Apply to—SIU CHEUNG, 81, Bonham Strand East.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1902. [2449]

TO BE LET.

"BISNEE VILLA" POKEFULUM, Immediate Possession.

Apply to—LINSTED & DAVIS.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcel Mails for Europe, &c., per a.s. *Bergal*, will close at 8 p.m., to-day.
The *Bergal*, with the English Mail of the 26th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here to-day. This Packet brings replies to letters dispatched from Hongkong on the 28th July.
The *Korea*, with the American Mail of the 26th ult., was due to leave Yokohama on Sunday, the 21st inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 29th inst.
The *Gaelic*, with the American Mail of the 26th ult., left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday the 1st prox.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 7.30 A.M.
Salon	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Yokohama	Friday, 26th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 1.15 P.M.
Amoy	Victoria	Friday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.
Chongking	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 2.00 P.M.
Canton	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Hongkong	Hongkong	Friday, 26th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore	Hongkong	Saturday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.
Chongking and Tientsin	Hongkong	Saturday, 27th, 1.00 A.M.
Bombay, &c., India via Tuticorin	Hongkong	Saturday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Amoy, Samang and Sourabaya	Nanchang	Saturday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Zafra	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samang	Daigun	Saturday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Chingtu	Monday, 29th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Onyang	Tuesday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Catherine Apur	Tuesday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore	Yuenang	Tuesday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Chongking	Kanung	Tuesday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Hongkong	Tuesday, 30th, 4.00 P.M.
Singapore	Onyang	Wednesday, 1st Oct., 11.00 A.M.
Thames, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Eastern	Thursday, 2nd Oct., 10.00 A.M.
Bombay, &c., India via Tuticorin	P. R. Luffpold	Thursday, 2nd Oct., 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Manila	Rubi	Thursday, 2nd Oct., 3.00 P.M.
Kobe	Taiyuan	Saturday, 4th Oct., 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.	Athenian	Wednesday, 8th Oct., 11.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Leasehold Property, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammer, 3 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ordinary General Meeting of Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., noon.

Late Household Furniture, No. 6, Victoria Vi-w, Kowloon, Mr. Geo. P. Lammer, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

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The *Imperial* German mail steamer *Humburg* left Colombo on the 24th inst., at 10 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd prox.
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MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The *N.Y.K.* steamer *Shimano Maru* (American Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 24th inst., p.m., and is due here to-morrow.

The *Boston* steamer *Shannon* arrived at Yokohama from Tacoma on the 19th inst.

The *C.N.* steamer *Raijin* left Sydney on the 19th inst., for this port, via Manila, and is due here on the 25th inst.

The *Barber* Line steamer *Border Knight*, from New York and Straits, arrived at Manila on the 19th inst., and is expected to sail for Hongkong about the 24th inst.

The *C.P.R.* steamer *Athenian* arrived at Shanghai at 5 a.m. on the 25th inst., and left again at 1 p.m. same day for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m. on the 29th inst.

The *Glenn* Line steamer *Glennville*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 5th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 20th inst.

The *J.M.* steamer *Huron* left Singapore on the 25th inst., for this port, and is due here on the 30th inst.

The *N.Y.K.* steamer *Kanama Maru* (Australia Line) left Kobe via Moji and Nagasaki for this port on the 23rd inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 1st prox.

The *N.Y.K.* steamer *Mike Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay via Colombo and Singapore for this port on the 16th inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 2nd prox.

The *P. & A.* steamer *Indra* left Portland on the 14th inst., a.m., for this port, via Japan, and is expected here on or about the 14th prox.

The *N.P.* steamer *Clavering* left Tacoma on the 2nd inst., via Vladivostok and Port Arthur, for Japan and Hongkong.

The *N.P.* steamer *Victoria* left Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 12th inst.

The *N.P.* steamer *Albatross* left Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 17th inst.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 22nd September.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Remarks.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125			20-div. and 10 bonus at \$1.10 = \$21.57 for 2nd half year ended 31.12.01
National Bank of China, Ltd.	18,970 A	210	210			20-div. and 10 bonus at \$1.10 = \$21.57 for 2nd half year ended 31.12.01
Do. Founders' Shares	28,553 B	210	210			20-div. and 10 bonus at \$1.10 = \$21.57 for 2nd half year ended 31.12.01
Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$250			40 p. ct.